

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicants: Lafontaine et al.	)	Examiner: Diane D. Yabut
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Filed: July 10, 2003	)	Confirmation No.: 3366
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Title: System for Closing an Opening in a	)	Att. Docket No.: 29985/02-332
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 17, 2007**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the non-final Office action having a mail date of April 17, 2007. The fee for a one-month extension of time is submitted herewith. Please amend the application as follows:

**A Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.